### **NSNFP Overview**

Mark R. Arenaz SNF Strategy Meeting June 26, 2001

### **NSNFP Mission**

Provide the technology and guidance needed to ensure safe, efficient handling, characterization and disposition of Department of Energy-owned spent nuclear fuel.

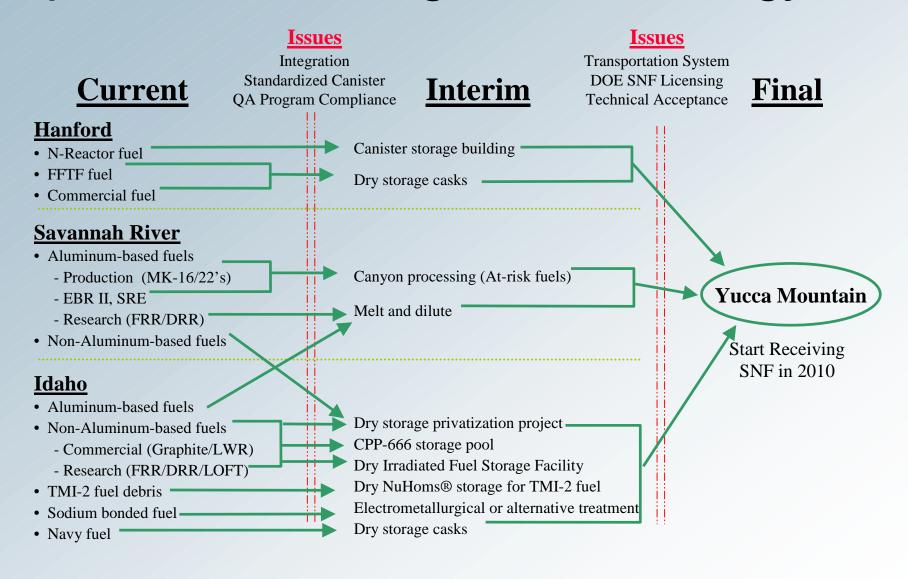
### **Objectives**

- Provide the technology needed to package, store, and dispose of DOE-owned spent nuclear fuel
- Ensure the Yucca Mountain repository license includes DOE-owned spent nuclear fuel
- Ensure repository waste acceptance criteria is established for all DOE-owned spent nuclear fuel
- Provide packaging and characterization guidance to all DOE sites

### Program Focus

- DOE-owned spent nuclear fuel
  - Integration with sites and YMP
  - Elimination of activities gaps/duplication
  - Cost savings
- Coordination of complex-wide SNF issues
- Standardized DOE spent nuclear fuel canister
- DOE spent nuclear fuel transportation system coordination
- Repository support activities (TSPA, DBE, Criticality)
- Materials performance
- Characterization

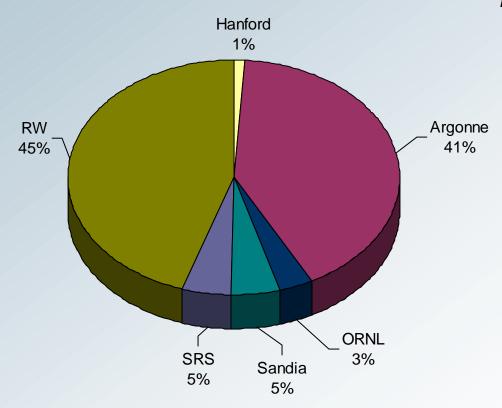
## Spent Fuel Management Strategy



## NSNFP Utilizes the Best Expertise Within the DOE Complex

FY 2001 Breakdown

Other Lab Total FY 2001 - \$ 4,641K



### NSNFP Collaborators

- Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management
- Savannah River Technology Center
- Pacific Northwest National Laboratory/Hanford
- Argonne National Laboratory (East & West)
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory
- INEEL
- Sandia National Laboratories
- Lehigh University
- University of Michigan
- Idaho State University

### International Collaborations

- Russia
  - Criticality studies
  - MDAS, software development
- International Atomic Energy Agency
- Atomic Energy of Canada Limited

### Programmatic Interfaces

- YMP Repository license application
  - Waste acceptance criteria input for DOE-owned spent nuclear fuel
  - Waste Acceptance System Requirements Document
- Integrated repository receipts schedule
- DOE Sites
  - Spent nuclear fuel characterization and acceptance criteria
- Naval Programs
- EM/NE HLW programs
- Nuclear Regulatory Commission interface support
- EM-50 Programs (NMFA, EMSP, DNFSB 97-2)

## NSNFP - An Integral Part of the DOE Spent Nuclear Fuel Mission

- Providing technology needed for packaging, storage, transportation, and disposal of DOE spent nuclear fuel
- Actively deploying research and development to meet DOE spent nuclear fuel site needs
- Ensuring inclusion of DOE spent nuclear fuel in the repository site recommendation and license application
- Seeking cost-effective solutions to the DOE spent nuclear fuel needs

### Technical Acceptance

#### **Requirements**

- Waste Acceptance (WASRD)
- Program Interfaces (ICD's)
- Quality Assurance (QARD)





- Data needs
- Characterization

**National Spent Nuclear Fuel Program** 



#### **Analysis**

- Performance analyses
- Criticality Analyses
- Design basis events



### **License Application**

- Grouping
  - 250 fuel types  $\rightarrow$  10 groups
- Packaging approaches
  - Standard canister/HIC
  - Neutron absorbers
- Conduct of Operations
  - Surface facilities
  - Transportation

### NSNFP Accomplishments FY 01

- Developed the DOE SNF Repository Safety Case showing those systems, structures, components and barriers that are important to safety and anticipated to be used in the repository licensing basis
- Completed the criticality analysis summary report for N-Reactor SNF
- Provided DOE SNF total System Performance (TSPA) input into Yucca Mountain Site Recommendation Rev 1
- Completed the first successful beam run of the Multi Detector Analysis System (MDAS) at ORELA
- Completed and issued the release rate characterization report for uranium metal fuel
- Performed Quality Assurance audits and surveillances at the INEEL, Hanford Savannah River and Oak Ridge

# NSNFP Accomplishments FY 01 (continued)

- Performed analysis of the modified standardized canister design being proposed by the INEEL privatized dry storage contractor
- Successfully fabricated and characterized Gadolium Phosphate powder with a calcination process and completed two heats of the Ni-Cr-Mo-Gd alloys
- Completed the DOE-EM Spent Nuclear Fuel Transportation System Design and Licensing Specifications
- Revised and issued the NSNFP Program Management Plan

# NSNFP Accomplishments FY 01 (continued)

- Conducted two Peer reviews of the MDAS system
- Reorganized the NSNFP QA function with the QAPM reporting functionally to the Manager, NSNFP while retaining independence
- Coordinated the revision of the Integrated Repository receipt Schedule with SNF sites, HLW and RW
- Issuance of two NSNFP "News"
- Substantially completed source term templates for 10 fuels
- Completed criticality reports on N-Reactor, FSV fuels
- Continuing release rate drip tests, batch tests and colliodal analysis with MOX and U metal fuels